

DELAWARE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

The Townsend Building
401 Federal Street, Suite 2
Dover, Delaware 19901

Meeting Minutes

Department of Education
Cabinet Room
Dover, DE 19904
August 2, 2018
5:00 P.M.

Members Present: Gerald Allen, Amber Augustus, Celeste Bunting, Earle Dempsey, Darren Guido, Sandra Hall, David Kohan, Fran O'Malley, Darlene O'Neill, and Sue Smith.

Members Absent: Jennifer Campbell, Terri Eros, Holly Grandfield, Byron Murphy, Loretta Phipps-Greig, and Mary Pinkston

Others Present: Chris Kenton, PSB Executive Director; Laura Makransky, Deputy Attorney General, representing the PSB; Rick Lane, PSB Administrative Assistant; Wendy Modzelewski, DOE; Mike Wagner, DOE

I. Opening

A. **Call to Order:** David Kohan called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

B. **Roll Call**
Rick Lane conducted roll call for the meeting with 10 members present (Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith).

C. **Approval of Agenda**
A motion was made by Gerald Allen and seconded by Earle Dempsey to approve the August 2, 2018 agenda. ***The motion carried*** (10 Yes to 0 No's – Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith).

D. **Approval of Minutes for May 3, 2018 and July 12, 2018**
Due to insufficient members present, the May 2018 and July 2018 minutes were not able to be approved.

II. Public Comment

Mike Wagner provided public comment on professional development and national certification efforts for athletic directors in the state of Delaware.

III. Executive Director's Report

Chris Kenton reported that he:

- Held our monthly PSB/DOE Meeting

- Presented to the H.R. Director's
- Held our monthly meeting with Secretary Bunting
- Had a conference call with Mary Cooke from Capital School District regarding Social Workers
- Met with Darren Guido and Alyssa Moore from PDAC to work on upcoming meeting
- Met with Byron Murphy and Laura Makransky to go over the August agenda

IV. **Presentations**

Laura Makransky gave a presentation regarding license disciplinary action training for board members.

V. **Action Items**

A. Regulation 1507 – Alternative Routes to Teacher Licensure and Certification Programs

Chris Kenton and presented Regulation 1507 – Alternative Routes to Teacher Licensure and Certification. Due to changes in code, the regulation will need to be repealed as the Board no longer has any authority over these programs. The Board discussed the timeline for repeal of the regulation.

A motion to remove the regulation from the table for further action was made by Earle Dempsey and seconded by Sue Smith. The motion failed (7 Yes to 3 No's – Augustus, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Neill, and Smith voted yes and Allen, Bunting, and O'Malley voted no) and the regulation remained tabled until next month.

B. Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License (for Final Order)

Chris Kenton and Wendy Modzelewski presented Regulation 1510 – Issuance of Initial License. The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed regulation.

A motion to approve the regulation for Final Order was made by Darlene O'Neill and seconded by Gerald Allen. The motion carried (10 Yes to 0 No's – Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith).

VI. **Discussion Items**

None

VII. **PSB Standing Committees**

A. Licensure and Certification Criteria Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the Cabinet Room at the Townsend Building.

B. Professional Development and Associated Compensation Criteria Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Cabinet Room at the Townsend Building.

VIII. **Other**

A. Hearing Officer Update

A motion to move to executive session to discuss matters pertaining to personnel decisions was made by Earle Dempsey and seconded by Fran O'Malley. The motion carried (10 Yes to 0 No's – Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith).

Chris Kenton provided the Board with an update on potential Hearing Officers for educator hearings. The Board reviewed the resumes of the three applicants and discussed procedures for approving new hearing officers.

A motion to move to public session was made by Sandra Hall and seconded by Gerald Allen. The motion carried (10 Yes to 0 No's – Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith).

A motion to invite the applicants to the September PSB meeting for a brief interview was made by Gerald Allen and seconded by Celeste Bunting. The motion carried (10 Yes to 0 No's – Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith).

A motion to approve the preliminary interview questions provided to Chris Kenton by Sue Smith was made by Darlene O'Neill and seconded by Sandra Hall. The motion carried (10 Yes to 0 No's – Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith).

IX. Public Comment

None

X. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Sue Smith and seconded by Darlene O'Neill. *The motion carried* (10 Yes to 0 No's – Allen, Augustus, Bunting, Dempsey, Guido, Hall, Kohan, O'Malley, O'Neill, and Smith). The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.